railway station for the purpose and it will cost some money to build one there. This too must stand over till more urgent needs are met. We cannot do everything at once.

11. In regard to removing the Quilon Stationary Magistrate's court to the premises of the District Court, you know that this formed one of the items placed before the committee on the subject of accommodation to public offices at Quilon. They reported on the matter and the Chief Engineer has been addressed on the subject of structural alterations to be made to the Sub-registrar's office and to the District Registrar's office to effect a transfer.

12. The question of additional accommodation for the Quilon public offices generally is a large question which is engaging the attention of the Government.

13. You referred next to the removal of the Sub-registrar's office at Paravur to Chattannur. As you are aware, the transfer from Chattannur to Paravur was carried out after very careful consideration and now to go back to the old order of things is not quite easy; and I am afraid, for the present, at any rate, the office will have to remain where it is.

14. What you say about the well in the Kannanallur market will be taken up immediately. The Director of Ayurveda will be consulted about the need for a *vishavaidyasala* at Kilikollur.

111. Needs of the East Kallada Pakuthi.

MR. V. S. PADMANABHAN NAIR (*Member, Nominated*) represented the need for rendering the five furlongs of road near Mutiraparambu on the Kundara-Mutiraparambu road fit for cart traffic. It was now in a very deplorable condition and the money spent on annual maintenance was being wasted.

The one boat stationed at Mutiraparambu ferry was inadequate to satisfy the demands of the large crowds that daily crossed the river; and it was necessary to provide another ferry boat.

The opening of a road from Sinkarapalli to East Kallada market, about 1½ miles long, should be sanctioned immediately, having regard to the vast population it would serve and the inconveniences now experienced.

The rain water from the taluks of Kottarakara and Pattanapuram and a greater portion of Quilon taluk flowed into the Chittumala *chira* and thence overflowing its banks destroyed the crops in East Kallada. The construction of a channel at Kottavatukkal to divert the water to the Kumbalattukayal was expected to be taken up in Vrischikam 1101, but nothing had been done. This work should be expedited so that further damage might be prevented. The level of the Tottikara anicut should be raised by 2½ feet so that it might be useful for irrigation.

The Muzhiyil culverts should be repaired immediately. The height should be raised and the watercourses enlarged. Sliding doors should also be provided for regulating the supply of water. The banks also should be strengthened.

A *vaidyasala* should be established at Koduvila for the benefit of the people of Koduvila, Sinkarapalli, Paracheri and Kottuvila *pakuthies*.

DEWAN'S REPLY: Mr. Padmanabhan Nair, in regard to the conversion of the road near Mutiraparambu on the Kundara-Mutiraparambu road into a public road, let me tell you that the present road is being maintained at a cost of Rs. 25 a mile. If it is converted into a cart road, the maintenance charge will be higher. And for this change, it must serve some useful purpose. I do not think a cart road is useful to the people at present; it is a blind road and leads nowhere. It ends in an alley. But still if you want it to be improved, the Chief Engineer will be requested to investigate the matter.

2. Your next point relates to ferry boats. There is already a ferry boat and a man there. Before a second ferry boat is provided, it must be ascertained from the Dewan Peishkar whether any additional facilities are necessary.

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3. In regard to your third point, namely, the path from Sinkarapalli to East Kallada market being made into a public road, the Government are not prepared to undertake the improvement on it. Such improvements as are necessary should be carried out by the local people under the Ryots' Roads Rules.

4. You then ask for the completion of the work relating to the Kottavatukkal channel and raising the level of the Tottikkara anicut, and improvements to the Muzhiyil culvert. These two items have already been dealt with by me in connection with the representation of another Member to-day. I will refer you to that reply.

5. As regards the last point, the establishment of a *vaidyasala* at Koduvila, the Director of Ayurveda has already bestowed his attention on the subject and after the receipt of his report, Government will consider the question.

112. Needs of the Quilon town.

MR. M. K. ABDUR RAHIMAN KUTTY (*Member, Municipal Council, Quilon*) said that the road to the west of the Chinnakkada cattle pound was closed and that it resulted in the desertion of Chinnakkada which was a centre of commerce before. The road, if re-opened, would revive the traffic on that road and the importance of Chinnakkada.

Equally important with the road mentioned above was the construction of a wooden bridge near Sri Rama Vilasam tile works. A large section of the people living in Pallitottam had to go as far as Kochupilamudu to cross the canal. This was a great inconvenience.

Thirdly, the Member complained that the Quilon Municipality had not enough funds to attend to public works and it was wrong to entrust the responsibility to municipalities which were still in their infancy. He requested that the Government should undertake the following works :—

(1) Construction of one or two canals to drain the water collecting in the town into the sea.

(2) Proper maintenance of—

(i) the Chinnakkada road ;
(ii) the road to the south of the Municipal market ; and
(iii) the road from the Assistant Excise Commissioner's office to the Cameron Road.

Fourthly, the portion of the Quilon canal between the Iron Bridge and Kochupilamudu which was commercially very important was in a very bad condition and required improvement. The banks should be strengthened, roads should be laid out on both the sides and the parapet walls along the banks raised in height as was done at Alleppey in regard to the Commercial Canal.

Fifthly, the Member requested the Government to have a definite programme of improvement of means of communication in Quilon town and to work it out bit by bit every year.

Lastly, he requested that the Municipality should be given local option in respect of liquor shops. Travellers' Bungalows and *satrams* should be transferred to the control of the Municipal Council together with the maintenance grant. There were a large number of tanks in the Quilon town which were in an insanitary condition. All these also should be transferred to the Municipal Council and the necessary funds placed at its disposal for their maintenance. All tanks should also be thrown open to all classes of people.

DEWAN'S REPLY: Mr. Abdur Rahiman Kutty, the question of re-opening the old Chinnakkada road near the cattle pound is a matter which the Municipal Council should consider, and if they think it necessary or desirable, they should move the Government in the matter.

2. In regard to the construction of a wooden bridge across the canal near the Sri Narayana Vilasam Tile Works, the cost is estimated at Rs. 5,000, and I am informed that the Municipality have decided upon the construction ; and if they find

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